



Status of CREP Contracts 7/1/2013

Administering	# of active	Acres	# established	# established
County	Contracts	Approved	contracts	acres
	(from FSA)	(from FSA)	fy 07-13	fy 07-13
Bingham	59	6,911.4	22	3,215
Bonneville	3	199.8	1	154
Cassia	5	2,223.0	1	627
Gooding	1	72.7		
Jefferson/Clark	20	1,773.4	2	597
Jerome	7	572.2	2	266
Lincoln	3	238.0		
Minidoka	58	4,605.1	20	1,141
Power	2	597.9		
Twin Falls	1	43.0	1	43
Totals	159	17,237	49	6,043

Additional Est. amount of certified acres 4,000

* Certified as completed Contracts with established stands

Estimated annual Savings based upon Current Total Enrollment				
Estimated annual water savings :		34,473	ac-ft	
Estimated annual power savings:		68,084,175	kilowatt hours	
Estimated annual soil savings:	Wind	103,419	Tons	
	Water	34,473	Tons	
	Equivelant to retiring	144	120 acre pivots	
	or	27	sections of land from ground water use	

The CREP area includes;
 26 Soil Conservation Districts
 20 FSA County Committees
 7 Groundwater Districts

The ESPA extends from Ashton to King Hill
 covering approximately 130 miles long and 70 miles wide.

Along with FSA, Other partners include;
 Idaho Groundwater Appropriators,
 NRCS, and Plant Materials Center in Aberdeen,
 Idaho Soil & Water Conservation Commission, Idaho Department of Water Resources,
 Idaho Department of Fish & Game, and several Pheasants Forever Chapters in the area.

Challenges this year:
 Once again, cheat grass and extreme hot dry conditions with limited growth of any vegetation
 Rodents and grasshoppers have started to increase this year.
 High grass seed prices expected for high demand for reseeding burned areas
 Field inspections and customer follow up takes a lot of staff time for inspections and developing alternatives
 Very dry conditions limited growth for the fy period. Staff could not certify with confidence that stands would
 Very little growth of grasses this year because of the extreme dry conditions.

New Developments
 Very good response to chemical treatment reducing weed pressures enabling native grass stands to establish
 High commodity prices and demand have limited participation in the program.
 Water shortages have been experienced. Dry conditions are expected to continue thru this fall
 The extreme dry conditions have also limited weed pressures, allowing some stands to gain densities.

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